

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

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FUNDS FOR RAJBHASHA
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) The total funds granted by the Government for the promotion of Rajbhasha during each of the last three years, State-wise;
- (b) Whether such funds have been utilised by the State Governments;
- (c) If so, the details thereof;
- (d) If not , the reasons therefor; and
- (e) The mechanism adopted by the Government to check proper utilisation of such funds?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MANIKRAO HODLYA GAVIT)

- (a): According to Article 343 of the Constitution of India, Hindi is the official language of the Union Government and use of English language has also been kept continuous for official purposes. There is no scheme of Ministry of Home Affairs (Department of Official Language) to grant funds for the promotion of the official language of the Union to the States.
- (b) : Does not arise.
- (c) : Does not arise.
- (d) : Does not arise.
- (e) : Does not arise.